

## Message Text

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ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CPR-01 A-01 MMO-04 /017 W  
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P 100310Z AUG 77  
FM AMEMBASSY COLOMBO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 7884

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FOR NEA/EX

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ASUP, PDIP

SUBJ: DUTY FREE PRIVILEGES AND TAX LIABILITIES OF FOREIGN  
SERVICE NON-DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL

REF: STATE 183999; STATE 173492 (NOTAL COLOMBO)

1. NON-DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL ARE NOT EXEMPT FROM FEES AND/OR DUTIES ON THE FOLLOWING:
  - A. MOTOR VEHICLE ANNUAL LICENSE
  - B. DRIVING LICENSE
  - C. SPIRITS, WINES, CIGARETTES AND TOBACCO UNDER INDIVIDUAL ORDERS (THESE ITEMS MAY BE OBTAINED THRU EMBASSY COMMISSARY).
2. NON-DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL ARE USUALLY EXEMPT FROM THE FOLLOWING:
  - A. EXAMINATION OF BAGGAGE
  - B. UNACCOMPANIED BAGGAGE
  - C. OUTGOING HHE (SPOT CHECK PRIOR TO CLOSING OF LIFTVAN).
3. NO ACTION TAKEN AS SIMILAR DIFFERENCES EXIST WITH SRI LANKAN NON-DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL IN U.S.
4. PROPOSAL FOR EQUALIZATION OF DIFFERENCE:  
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THAT NON-DIPLOMATIC EMPLOYEES WHO DO NOT ITEMIZE MISCELLANEOUS TRANSFER EXPENSES BE GRANTED, IN ADDITION TO THE \$100 FOR A SINGLE EMPLOYEE AND \$200 FOR EMPLOYEE WITH FAMILY, ACTUAL FEES AND DUTIES PAID WHICH ARE EXEMPT FOR DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL. REIMBURSEMENT CLAIM FOR FEES AND DUTIES WHEN SUPPORTED BY PAID RECEIPTS TO BE MADE DURING OR AT THE END OF A TOUR OF DUTY. PERKINS

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## Message Attributes

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